GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF LPG AGENCIES TO KERALA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the allotment of more than 80 Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) agencies to Kerala has been withheld by the Government ;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ;

(c) whether the Government had received any proposal to allot them urgently ; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (d) : No, Sir. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have finalized a common industry marketing plan covering 1340 locations in the country, including 85 locations in the State of Kerala for setting up LPG distributorships, mainly in rural and urban-rural (semi-urban) locations. The advertisements for the 85 locations in the State of Kerala have been released and selection for the same is in progress as per policy. The setting up of LPG distributorships is a continuous process and involves identifying of a suitable location, arranging land for setting up of godown and other statutory clearances etc.